

Amendments to the Claims

1. *(Currently Amended)* A receiving method for the contactless reception of identification information ~~(11,12)~~, which identification information ~~(11,12)~~ is stored in a data carrier ~~(3,3')~~ which can be transferred from the data carrier ~~(3,3')~~ in a contactless manner in the form of information units ~~(IU, IV')~~ to a communication device ~~(2)~~ and can be received with the communication device ~~(2)~~, said receiving method having the steps presented below, namely reception of an information unit ~~(RIU)~~ and detection that the received information unit ~~(RIU)~~ represents a collision of two different information units ~~(IU, IV')~~ occurring essentially simultaneously, and of which two different information units ~~(IU, IV')~~ the first information unit ~~(IU)~~ originates from a first data carrier ~~(3)~~ and the second information unit ~~(IV')~~ originates from a second data carrier ~~(3')~~, and replacing the received information unit ~~(RIU)~~ with a first replacement information unit ~~(RIU1)~~ established by the communication device ~~(2)~~, which replacement information unit ~~(RIU1)~~ is used instead of the information unit ~~(RIU)~~ representing the collision as the information unit ~~(IU)~~ that originates from the first data carrier ~~(3)~~, and delivery of the first replacement information unit ~~(RIU1)~~ in a contactless manner.

2. *(Currently Amended)* A receiving method according to claim 1, wherein additionally each information unit ~~(RIU)~~ received at communication device ~~(2)~~ prior to collision detection is buffered as the information unit ~~(IV')~~ that originates from the second data carrier ~~(3')~~.

3. *(Currently Amended)* A receiving method according to claim 2, wherein the previously established first replacement information unit ~~(RIU1)~~ is replaced with a second replacement information unit ~~(RIU2)~~ differing from it, which second replacement unit ~~(RIU2)~~ is used instead of the information unit ~~(RIU)~~ representing the collision, as the information unit ~~(IU)~~ that originates from the second data carrier ~~(3')~~.

4. *(Currently Amended)* A receiving method according to claim 3, wherein, following complete presence of all information units ~~(IU)~~ that originate from the first data carrier ~~(3)~~, a continue command is generated and is delivered in a contactless

manner, by means of which delivery of the information units (~~IU~~) of the identification information (~~I2~~) continues at the second data carrier (~~3'~~) with the information unit (~~III'~~) coming after the information unit (~~III'~~) that previously caused collision detection.

5. (*Currently Amended*) A method of delivery for the contactless delivery of identification information (~~I1, I2~~), which identification information (~~I1, I2~~) is stored in a data carrier (~~3, 3'~~) and can be transmitted in a contactless manner in the form of information units (~~III, III'~~) from the data carrier (~~3, 3'~~) to a communication device (~~2~~), said method of delivery having the steps listed below, namely delivery of an information unit (~~IU, IV'~~) and checking whether, after delivery of the information unit (~~III, IV'~~), a first replacement information unit (~~RID-I~~) established by the communication device (~~2~~) can be received from the communication device (~~2~~), and continuation of delivery of the identification information (~~I1, I2~~) with the information unit (~~III, IV'~~) following the information unit (~~III, III'~~) previously transmitted to the communication device (~~2~~), if either no established first replacement information unit (~~RID-I~~) is received from the communication device (~~2~~) or a first replacement information unit (~~RIU-I~~) established by the communication device (~~2~~) is received and the received established first replacement information unit (~~RIU-I~~) is identical with the information unit (~~III, III'~~) previously transmitted to the communication device (~~2~~).

6. (*Currently Amended*) A method of delivery according to claim 5, wherein the delivery of the identification information (~~I1, I2~~) is interrupted if the established first replacement information unit (~~RID-I~~) is received from the communication device (~~2~~) and it is established that the received first replacement information unit (~~RIU-I~~) is not identical with the information unit (~~IU, III'~~) previously sent to the communication device (~~2~~) and wherein at least the position of the information unit (~~IU, IV'~~) following the information unit (~~IV, III'~~) sent prior to reception of the first replacement information unit (~~RIU-I~~) is memorized.

7. (*Currently Amended*) A method of delivery according to claim 6, wherein, after reception of a continue command from the communication device, delivery of the information units (~~III, III'~~) of the identification information (~~I1, I2~~) continues with the information unit (~~III, III'~~) that corresponds to the memorized position.

8. *(Currently Amended)* An anti-collision method for managing a collision of information units (~~III, IV'~~), said information units (~~III, III'~~) being sent in each case from one data carrier (~~3, 3'~~) to a communication device (2) and in which collision the information unit (~~RIU'~~) received at the communication device (2) represents an essentially simultaneous occurrence of the different information units (~~III, III'~~), and of which different information units (~~III, IV'~~) the one information unit (~~IU~~) originates from a first data carrier (3) and the other information unit (~~III'~~) originates from a second data carrier (~~3'~~), wherein the anti-collision method comprises a receiving method according to one of the claims 1 to 4 and a method of delivery according to ~~one of the claims 5 to 7~~ claim 5.

9. *(Currently Amended)* A communication device circuit (~~4~~) for a communication device (2), said communication device (2) being designed for contactless communication with a data carrier (~~3, 3'~~), in which data carrier (~~3, 3'~~) identification information (~~11, 12~~) is stored, which can be received from the data carrier (~~3, 3'~~) in a contactless manner in the form of information units (~~IU, IV'~~), wherein first receiving means (~~19~~) are provided, which are designed for the contactless reception of an information unit (~~RIU~~), and wherein collision detection means (~~25~~) are provided, which are designed for detecting that the received information unit (~~RIU~~) represents a collision of two different information units (~~III, IV'~~) occurring essentially simultaneously, and of which two different information units (~~III, III'~~) the one information unit (~~IU~~) originates from a first data carrier (3) and the other information unit (~~IV'~~) originates from a second data carrier (~~3'~~), and wherein replacing means (~~26~~) are provided, which are designed for replacing the received information unit (~~RIU~~) with a first replacement information unit (~~RIU'~~) established by the communication device (2), said first replacement information unit (~~RIU'~~) instead of the information unit (~~RIU~~) representing the collision, serving as the information unit (~~IU~~) that originates from the first data carrier (3), and wherein delivering means (~~11~~) are provided, which are designed for the contactless delivery of the established first replacement information unit (~~RIU'~~).

10. *(Currently Amended)* A communication device circuit ~~(4)~~ according to claim 9, wherein information unit buffer means ~~(28)~~ are provided, which are designed for buffering each information unit ~~(RIU)~~ receivable at the communication device ~~(2)~~ prior to collision detection, as an information unit ~~(IV')~~ originating from the second data carrier ~~(3')~~.

11. *(Currently Amended)* A communication device circuit ~~(4)~~ according to claim 10, wherein the replacing means ~~(26)~~ are designed for the repeat replacement of the previously established first replacement information unit ~~(RIU1)~~ with a second replacement information unit ~~(RIU2)~~ differing from it, which second replacement information unit ~~(RIU2)~~ is used instead of the information unit ~~(RID)~~ representing the collision, as the information unit ~~(IV')~~ that originates from the second data carrier ~~(3')~~.

12. *(Currently Amended)* A communication device circuit ~~(4)~~ according to claim 11, wherein continue command generating means ~~(12)~~ are provided, which are designed for generating a continue command, said continue command being deliverable with the assistance of the first delivering means ~~(11)~~, and said continue command effecting continuation of delivery of the information units ~~(IV')~~ of the identification information ~~(12)~~ at the second data carrier ~~(3')~~ with the information unit ~~(IU')~~ that comes after the information unit ~~(IU)~~, which previously caused the collision detection.

13. *(Currently Amended)* A communication device ~~(2)~~ with a communication device circuit ~~(4)~~ according to ~~one of the claims 9 to 12~~ claim 9.

14. *(Currently Amended)* A data carrier circuit ~~(29, 29')~~ for a data carrier ~~(3, 3')~~, said data carrier ~~(3, 3')~~ being designed for contactless communication with a communication device ~~(2)~~ in which data carrier ~~(3, 3')~~ identification information ~~(11, 12)~~ is stored, which can be transferred from the data carrier ~~(3, 3')~~ in a contactless manner in the form of information units ~~(IU, IU')~~ to the communication device ~~(2)~~, wherein second delivering means ~~(42, 42')~~ are provided, which second delivering means ~~(42, 42')~~ are designed for the delivery of an information unit ~~(IU, IU')~~ in a contactless manner, and wherein checking means ~~(46, 46')~~ are provided; which

checking means ~~(46, 46')~~ are designed for checking whether a first replacement information unit (~~RIU~~) established by the communication device ~~(2)~~ after delivery of the information unit (~~IU, IU'~~) can be received from the communication device ~~(2)~~, and wherein the second delivering means ~~(42, 42')~~ are designed for continuing the delivery of the identification information ~~(11, 12)~~ with the information unit (~~IU, IU'~~) that comes after the information unit (~~IU, IU'~~) previously sent to the communication device ~~(2)~~, if it is established in the checking means ~~(46, 46')~~ that either no established first replacement information unit (~~RIU~~) is received from the communication device ~~(2)~~ or a first replacement information unit (~~RID-1~~) established by the communication device ~~(2)~~ is received and the received established first replacement information unit (~~RIU~~) is identical with the information unit (~~IU, IU'~~) previously sent to the communication device ~~(2)~~.

15. *(Currently Amended)* A data carrier circuit ~~(29, 29')~~ according to claim 14, wherein the second delivering means ~~(42, 42')~~ are designed for interrupting the delivery of the identification information ~~(11, 12)~~ if it is established in the checking means ~~(46, 46')~~ that the established first replacement information unit (~~RID~~) received from the communication device ~~(2)~~ is not identical with the information unit (~~III, III'~~) previously sent to the communication device ~~(2)~~, and wherein the second delivering means ~~(42, 42')~~ have position storing means ~~(51, 51')~~, by which at least the position of the information unit (~~III, III'~~) coming after the information unit (~~IV, IV'~~) delivered prior to reception of the established first replacement information unit (~~RIV~~) can be memorized.

16. *(Currently Amended)* A data carrier circuit ~~(29, 29')~~ according to claim 15, wherein second receiving means ~~(37, 37')~~ are designed for receiving and detecting a continue command, which continue command can be received in a contactless manner from the communication device ~~(2)~~, and wherein the second delivering means ~~(42, 42')~~ are designed for continuing the delivery of the information units (~~IV, III'~~) of the identification information ~~(11, 12)~~ with the information unit (~~III, III'~~) that corresponds to the flagged position, if reception of the continue command is detected at the receiving means ~~(37, 37')~~.

17. (*Currently Amended*) A data carrier ~~(3,3')~~ with a data carrier circuit ~~(29,29')~~ according to ~~anyone of the claims 14 to 16~~ claim 14.

18. (*Canceled*) A communication system (1) for contactless communication, wherein a communication device (2) which has a communication device circuit (4) according to one of the claims 9 to 11, is provided and wherein at least one data carrier (3,3') which has a data carrier circuit (29,29') according to anyone of the claims 14 to 16, is provided.